# Town of Jackson Town Board Meeting August 5, 2020

The Town Board of the Town of Jackson met on August 5, 2020 at 8:00 pm at the Town Hall for the regular monthly meeting.

# **PRESENT:**

- Jay Skellie..... Supervisor
- Mike Nolan..... Councilman
- Travis Rea..... Councilman
- Carol Rich..... Councilwoman
- Edward Rouse..... Councilman
- Tammy Skellie-Gilbert..... Town Clerk
- Sean Carney..... Highway Superintendent
- Donna Nolan..... Budget Officer
- Amy Maxwell..... Planning Board member

Also present: Christine Eldred, The Eagle

## **RESOLUTION #53-20**

Following the reading of the minutes, a motion by Councilman Rouse, seconded by Councilwoman Rich; Resolution passed 5-0, to accept the July 1, 2020 Town Board minutes as written.

#### **RESOLUTION #54-20**

A motion by Councilman Nolan, seconded by Councilman Rea; Resolution passed 5-0, to approve the Town Clerk & Supervisor Reports for July 2020 as follows:

Town Clerk Fees to Town	\$209.48
Supervisor Receipts	\$37,793.29
Supervisor Disbursements	\$230,540.79

# **REPORTS**

**Highway** – Supt. Carney reported the department's activities in the month of July. The 2016 pickup was posted on Auctions International with a final bid of \$19,200.00. One of the dump boxes was also posted with a final bid of \$3,100.00.

# **RESOLUTION #55-20**

A motion by Councilman Rea, seconded by Councilman Rouse; Resolution passed 5-0, to accept each of the bids for the 2016 pickup truck and dump box for \$19,200 and \$3,100 respectively.

The County DPW is training staff to administer sprays to control weeds such as poisonous parsnips. After spraying areas along the County roads, they may be able to spray specific areas on town roads.

Planning Board – Chairman Hanf sent a written report about the recent Planning Board meeting:

- Reviewed a two-lot subdivision sketch plan proposed by Marilyn Dailey Woodard and Carol Dailey Kelley on Nesbitt Lane.
- Completed the SEQR for a one-lot subdivision of 10+acres on vacant land owned by Barbara Malay on State Route 313.
- Continued review of the Lapoint/Borrego solar project on State Route 22.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**4-H Club** – The 4-H Club who uses the Town Hall for its meeting site is hoping to resume meetings and wanted to be sure they could still have access to the building. The Town Board discussed potential concerns surrounding COVID-19 as well as the new security system on the Town Hall.

## **RESOLUTION #56-20**

A motion by Councilman Rea, seconded by Councilman Nolan; Resolution passed 4-1 with Supervisor Skellie voting against, to permit the 4-H Club to continue using the Town Hall for its meetings and to establish an access code so that the leader will have entrée into the building.

## NEW BUSINESS

## **RESOLUTION #57-20**

A motion by Councilman Rea, seconded by Councilwoman Rich; Resolution passed 5-0, to appoint Amy Maxwell to Chair of the Planning Board effective immediately.

**County Planning Agency Review 2020 Agreement Renewal** – An updated County Planning Agency Agreement has been sent to the Town for review.

#### **RESOLUTION #58-20**

A motion by Councilman Nolan, seconded by Councilwoman Rich; Resolution passed 5-0, to approve signing the 2020 Agreement Renewal with the County Planning Agency.

**2020 Retentiion & Disposition Schedule for NY Local Government Records** – TABLED until a later meeting

**New lighting at the Town Hall** – Through the JCAP grant, new external lights have been installed at the Town Hall. The Town Clerk received one complaint from a resident who felt the lights were too bright. According the Town Justice, the new lights were purchased and installed based upon the audit completed in February 2019 by the Department of Public Safety, a division of the Office for Court Administration (OCA). Several other residents have commented that the property is better lit and not too bright. As a curtesy, the Town Clerk called the adjacent property owners, Dean and Evelyn Chapin. They stated that the lights are very bright and that they are not pleased with them. The Town Justice requested that if the Town Board wishes to change the lights, she would like it stated in writing so that

she can share a copy with the OCA. After a brief discussion, the Board choose to leave the new lighting as is.

**Clear Barrier for Town Clerk's Desk** – Since people are moving the chair-barriers in front of the Town Clerk's desk, she will order a plexiglass barrier to be secured to her desk while COVID-19 concerns continue. The cost will be approximately \$50 and the Highway Supt. has offered to install it.

**Supervisor Report** – Supervisor Skellie shared information about communications he has had with Salem Supervisor Sue Clary and the Washington County Sheriff's Department about ongoing issues at the popular gathering sites along the Battenkill including Eagleville and Rexleigh Bridges. The group is considering a variety of options for this summer and next to minimize crowds and improve safety.

#### **RESOLUTION #59-20**

A motion by Councilman Rouse, seconded by Councilman Rea; Resolution passed 5-0, to approve payment of the following bills as audited on August 5, 2020, Abstract #8 and authorized the Supervisor to pay said bills from the respective funds:

FUND	BILL #	AMOUNT
General	83-92	\$16,206.95
Highway	139-161 (excluding #160-161)	\$9,228.54
Capital-Machinery	160-161	\$8,956.94

# <u>9:10 PM</u> RESOLUTION #60-20

A motion by Councilman Rouse, seconded by Councilman Rea; Resolution passed 5-0, to move into an **Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters related to collective negotiations under the Taylor Law.** 

#### <u>9:16 PM</u>

**RESOLUTION #61-20** 

A motion by Councilwoman Rea, seconded by Councilwoman Rich; Resolution passed 5-0, **to come out of Executive Session.** 

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Skellie-Gilbert, RMC Town Clerk